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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to fully steady. Light trading was reported for prompt and deferred shipments of frozen whole birds. Demand light. Offerings adequate. Bulk parts and meats trading was slow. Demand was mixed, mostly light.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading and demand light to moderate, with most inquiry centered on tom drums and thigh meat. Other parts and meats slow. Most interest coming from Asia, Mexico and Russia.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) AUGUST 05, 2003

| CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/ | | | | FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/ | | | OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/ | | |
|----------------------|--------|-------|------------|----------------------|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | OFFERS | SALES | WTD AVG | VOLUME (000) | WTD AVG | VOLUME (000) | DEL. PER | VOLUME (000) | DEL. PER |
| 8-16 LB HENS | | | | | | , , | | ` , | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 56-59 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 55-57 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 58-60 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 16-24 LB TOMS | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 55-58 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 55-56 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 57 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
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WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) AUGUST 06, 2003

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| 8-16 LB HENS | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 56-59 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 55-57 | 56 | 56.00 | 200 | 62.00 | 320 | SEP | - | - |
| | | | | | 63.00 | 280 | OCT | | |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 58-60 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 16-24 LB TOMS | | | | | | | | - | - |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 55-58 | - | - | - | _ | _ | _ | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 55-56 | 55 | 55.00 | 200 | 62.00 | 200 | SEP | | |
| | | | | | 63.00 | 200 | OCT | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 57 | - | - | - | - | - | - | | |

^{1/} May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degress F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

<u>NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT</u>, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 5 AUGUST 2003.

The undertone on fresh tom breast meat was steady to fully steady with the balance of fresh white meat at least steady. Demand moderate for the light to mostly adequate offerings. The undertone on frozen white meat was steady at best with new production held with the most confidence and older production in the longest position with some sellers willing to negotiate. Offerings available. The undertone on thigh meat was steady to fully steady. Inquiry was slow to moderate, good for Russia. Trading centered on frozen thigh meat into export channels at steady to higher trending price levels for destinations other than Russia. Offerings light to instances adequate. Trading of all items centered on a fair volume of frozen thigh meat for export, balance light. For domestic: fresh breast trim 65.50, plant grade breasts: non-basted 12-14 lb. 85 and 16-18 lb. 75, basted 16-18 lb. 70 cents delivered. Tom necks traded at 16-17.50 cents delivered export. USDA announced on Monday, August 2, 2003 that they will purchase up to \$20 million of additional white meat turkey products.

| DOMESTIC TRADING | PRICE RANGE | L.S.T. CODE 1/ | WTD AVG PRICE | VOLUME (000) |
|---|----------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ | | | | . , |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ | | | | |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ | | Т | 79.60 | 400 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM | 26.50 | | 26.50 | 3 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH | 26.00 | | 26.00 | 80 |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN | 24.00-24.50 | | 24.17 | 21 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM | 21.50-22.00 | | 21.97 | 85 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN | 20.00-20.50 | | 20.22 | 25 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | | M | 24.00 | 12 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN | 53.00 | | 53.00 | 40 |
| NECKS, TOM | 17.50-18.00 | | 17.85 | 57 |
| NECKS, HEN | 16.00-16.50 | | 16.17 | 21 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ | | | | |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/ | 120.00-121.00 | | 120.33 | 90 |
| THIGH MEAT | | | | 40 |
| THIGH MEAT—FRESH | | M | 52.00 | 40 |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT | | M | 60.00 | 40 |
| SCAPULA MEAT | | | | |
| TENDERLOINS | | | 70.00 | 400 |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS | | M F | 79.00 | 120 |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH | | | 111.00 | 30 |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN | | M F | 40.00 | 40 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/ | 17.50-18.00 | Г | 20.00 17.67 | 20 120 |
| WECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/ | 17.50-16.00 | | 17.07 | 120 |
| EXPORT TRADING | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS | 26.00-26.50 | | 26.25 | 160 |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS | 20.00-20.50 | W | 20.23 | 108 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | | T | 23.00 | 156 |
| TAILS | | M | 18.00 | 104 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | | M | 20.00 | 104 |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN | 51.00-69.00 | 141 | 54.17 | 500 |
| | 3 | | 5 | 230 |

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

RANGE

96

96

66

63-65

65-72

4/15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#

FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#

FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| TURKEYS Y HENS | 119-129 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22# | 99-125 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24# | 99-125 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26# | 99-129 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER | 99-129 |

^{2/} Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

^{3/} Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

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The trade sentiment on tom drums and full-cut wings was steady to fully steady and necks were steady to barely steady. Demand slow to moderate. Offerings light to instances adequate on tom drums and wings, adequate to fully adequate on necks. Trading light on all items.

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| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ | | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM | 26.00 | | 26.00 | 2 | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH | | T | 26.00 | 80 | |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN | | T | 24.17 | 21 | |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM | 21.50-22.00 | | 21.78 | 90 | |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN | | T | 20.22 | 25 | |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | 24.00-25.00 | | 24.13 | 23 | |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN | | T | 53.00 | 40 | |
| NECKS, TOM | 17.00-19.00 | | 18.19 | 67 | |
| NECKS, HEN | | T | 16.17 | 21 | |
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| SEASON | HEAVY | HEAVY | ALL | Atlanta, GA | Voice | (404)562-5850 | Johnny Freeman, |
| JULY 1 TO JUNE 30 | WHITE | WHITES | BREEDS | | Fax | (404)562-5875 | Officer-in-Charge |
| 2003-2004 | 590 | 31,330 | 31,330 | | Recorded | (404)562-5856 | |
| 2002-2003 | 36.653 | 75,172 | 75,172 | Jackson, MS | Voice | (601)965-4662 | Gary Brown, |
| | , | , = | , | | Fax | (601)965-4661 | Southern States |
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| POULTRY HEALTH BOAR | D | ACCUMULATED | | | | (515)284-4545 | |
| SEASON | HEAVY | HEAVY | ALL | Bell, CA | Voice | (323)269-4154 | Jim Derby, |
| JULY 1 TO JUNE 30 | WHITE | WHITES | BREEDS | | Fax | (323)269-5926 | Officer-in-Charge |
| 2003-2004 | 13.560 | 30.740 | 30.740 | | Recorded | (323)260-4676 | |
| 2002-2003 | 1,665 | 38,519 | 38,519 | | | | |
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